IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) An assembly defining longitudinal, lateral, and transverse directions substantially orthogonal to one another, the assembly comprising;

a connection box having a proximal end shaped to receive a fastener to support the connection box and a distal end, spaced in the lateral direction from the proximal end and having a stop and a slide;

a spacer shaped to insert exclusively by linear translation, without tools, within the slide to the stop; ~~and~~

the spacer extending from the proximal end to support the connection box in the transverse direction when inserted into the slide against the ~~stop.~~ stop; and

the spacer having at least one fracture region providing controlled fracture, in response to bending stress, to adjust the length thereof.

2. (currently amended) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the ~~spacer is adjustable in length~~ stop extends in the lateral direction from the exterior surface of the distal end of the connection box to register the connection box with respect to a wall panel.

3. (currently amended) The assembly of claim 2, wherein the ~~spacer is discretely adjustable to at least two lengths~~ slide is positioned on the exterior surface of the distal end of the connection box.

4. (currently amended) The assembly of claim ~~3~~ 1, wherein the connection box is further provided with an aperture to receive transmission lines from a signal source and terminating therewithin.

5. (original) The assembly of claim 4, wherein the connection box is a multi-gang connection box.

6. (original) The assembly of claim 5, wherein the connection box is homogeneously molded of a material selected from the group consisting of a polymer and a reinforced polymer.

7. (cancelled)

8. (currently amended) The assembly of claim ~~7~~ 6, wherein the ~~spacer further~~ the at least one fracture region comprises a source of a stress concentration riser.

9. (original) The assembly of claim 8, wherein the source of stress concentration riser comprises a scored line extending across the spacer.

10. (cancelled)

11. (currently amended) The assembly of claim ~~10~~ 9, wherein the spacer is homogeneously molded of a material selected from the group consisting of a polymer and a reinforced polymer.

12. (original) The assembly of claim 11, wherein the slide has a frictional engagement with the spacer providing a resistance value selected to resist inadvertent removal of the spacer from the slide.

13. (original) The assembly of claim 12, wherein the spacer comprises an extension portion projecting in the transverse direction from proximate the connection box to a foot portion extending in at least one of the lateral direction and longitudinal direction to resist penetration of the spacer into a solid material positioned thereagainst.

14. (original) The assembly of claim 13, wherein the scored line is positioned on the spacer to promote fracture at a location selected to space the foot from the stop a distance corresponding to the width of a building stud of a first standard size.

15. (original) The assembly of claim 14, wherein the extension has an unbroken length selected to space the foot from the stop a distance corresponding to the width of a building stud of a second standard size.

16-20. (withdrawn)

21. (currently amended) The assembly of claim ~~1~~ 15, wherein the ~~spacer is discretely adjustable to at least two lengths~~ the building stud of a first standard size comprises a two-by-four and the building stud of a second standard size comprises a two-by-six.

22. (original) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the connection box is further provided with an aperture to receive transmission lines from a signal source and terminating therewithin.

23. (original) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the connection box is a multi-gang connection box.

24. (original) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the connection box is homogeneously molded of a material selected from the group consisting of a polymer and a reinforced polymer.

25. (cancelled)

26. (currently amended) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the ~~spacer further~~ the at least one fracture region comprises a source of a stress concentration riser.

27. (original) The assembly of claim 26, wherein the source of stress concentration riser comprises a scored line extending across the spacer.

28. (cancelled)

29. (original) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the spacer is homogeneously molded of a material selected from the group consisting of a polymer and a reinforced polymer.

30. (original) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the slide has a frictional engagement with the spacer providing a resistance value selected to resist inadvertent removal of the spacer from the slide.

31. (original) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the spacer comprises an extension portion projecting in the transverse direction from proximate the connection box to a foot portion extending in at least one of the lateral direction and longitudinal direction to resist penetration of the spacer into a solid material positioned thereagainst.

32. (currently amended) The assembly of claim 31, wherein ~~a scored line is~~ the at least one fracture region comprises a scored line positioned on the spacer to promote fracture at a location selected to space the foot from the stop a distance corresponding to the width of a building stud of a first standard size.

33. (original) The assembly of claim 32, wherein the extension has an unbroken length selected to space the foot from the stop a distance corresponding to the width of a building stud of a second standard size.

34-38. (withdrawn)

39. (original) A connection box assembly defining longitudinal, lateral, and transverse directions substantially orthogonal to one another, the assembly comprising;

a connection box having an aperture shaped to receive transmission lines to terminate therewithin, having a proximal end provided with an aperture to receive a fastener to support the connection box, and having a distal end, spaced in the lateral direction from the proximal end and formed to have a stop and a slide;

a spacer matingly insertable into the slide, without the use of tools, to engage the stop and sized to frictionally engage the slide to resist removal therefrom;

the spacer having at least one fracture region extending longitudinally thereacross to provide directed stress concentration fracture in response to bending, to adjust the length thereof; and

the spacer extending from the proximal end of the connection box in the transverse direction when inserted into the slide and abutted against the stop.

40. (currently amended) A method for applying a connection box to a structural member defining longitudinal, lateral, and transverse directions substantially orthogonal to one another, the method comprising:

providing a connection box having a proximal end and a distal end spaced from one another, the distal end having a stop and a slide;

selecting a structural member extending in the longitudinal direction and having a width in the transverse direction;

providing a spacer shaped to be received by the slide and characterized by a length;

~~adjusting the length of the spacer~~ fracturing the spacer to adjust the length thereof to correspond to the width of the structural member;

securing the spacer to the connection box without the use of tools by ~~mated engagement of the spacer with the slide and spacer contact with the stop~~ inserting the spacer within the slide unit the spacer contacts the stop; and

securing the proximal end of the connection box to the structural member.